**Web exercise/questions on The Canterbury Tales February 29, 2012**

Find the answers to the following questions. Write the answers in complete sentences on a piece of notebook paper and turn into the basket.

1. What writing or book influenced the structure of The Canterbury Tales?

2. Name two of the tales Chaucer wrote in The Canterbury Tales besides “The Wife of

Bath’s Tale” and “The Pardoner’s Tale.”

3. In what language are The Canterbury Tales written?

4. What is a courtier?

5. What is an exemplum? Which tale satirizes the exemplum?

6. What did 15th century critics say about The Canterbury Tales?

7. Name a modern work that uses a pilgrimage or group of pilgrims to tell its story.

8. What is a framing narrative?

9. What is a pardoner and what is his job in Medieval Times? Was it looked on

positively or negatively? Give evidence.

10. Into what three distinct social classes does Chaucer divide his pilgrims?

Questions on pages 94-97 Homework

1. What is a pilgrimage?

2. How does The Canterbury Tales begin?

3. What is the challenge that Harry Bailey proposes?

4. How many tales did Chaucer write? How many tales was Chaucer supposed to

write?

5. What groups of medieval society does Chaucer include in his Prologue?

6. What types of genre does Chaucer include in his tales? Name 5.

7. How does Chaucer meet the aristocratic society in his time period?

8. What are some of the jobs he held? Name 3.

9. How are direct and indirect characterization different?

10. What is social commentary?